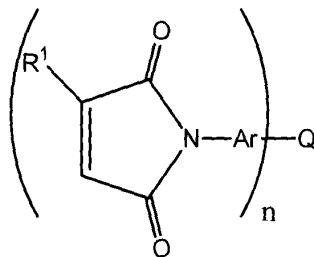


and a curing initiator selected from the group consisting of a free-radical initiator, a photoinitiator, and a combination of those,

the maleimide compound having the formula:

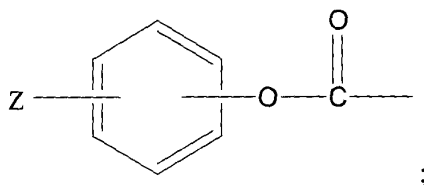


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wherein n is 1 to 3,

R¹ is H or an alkyl group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms;

Ar is an aromatic group having the structure:



wherein Z is a high molecular weight branched chained alkyl, alkylene or alkylene oxide species having from about 12 to about 500 atoms in its backbone; and

Q is a linear or branched chain alkyl, alkyloxy, alkylene, or alkyleneoxy, species having up to about 100 atoms in the chain, which may contain saturated or unsaturated cyclic or heterocyclic substituents pendant from the chain or as part of the chain and in which any heteroatom present may or may not be directly attached to Ar; or

Q is a siloxane having the structure:

